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LLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, the metropolis of the Lehigh Valley and the centre of the great cement belt of eastern Pennsylvania, located ninety miles west of New York City, fifty-

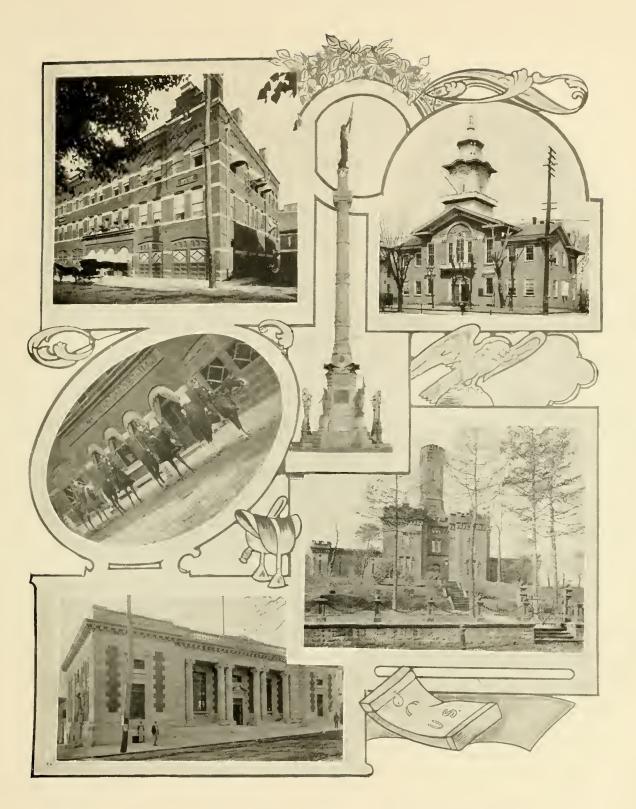
seven miles north of Philadelphia and thirty miles south of the anthracite coal fields.

Founded in 1762, by Chief Justice William Allen. Constituted a borough, March 18, 1811.

Became the county seat of Lehigh, March 6, 1812. Incorporated as a city, March 15, 1867.

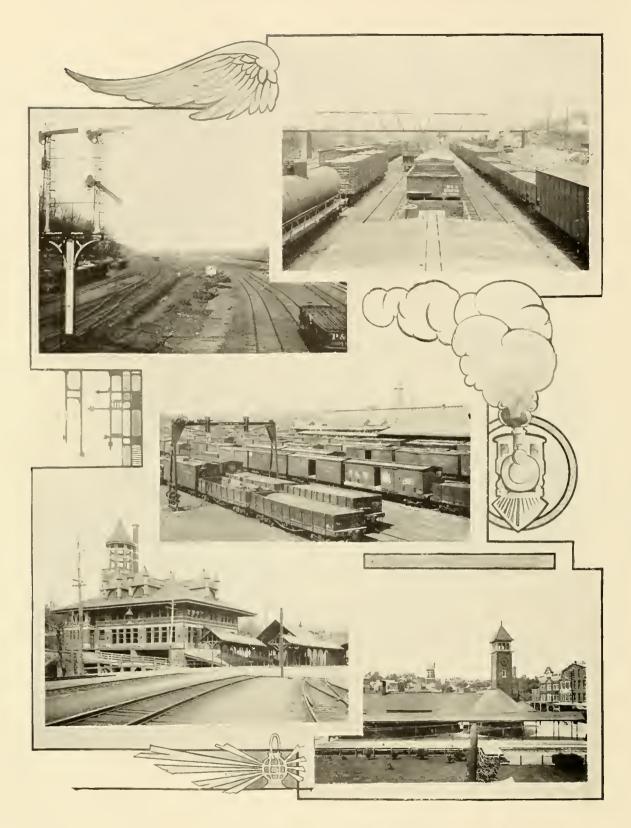
Population in 1908, 51,000.

Population within a radius of six miles, 110,000.

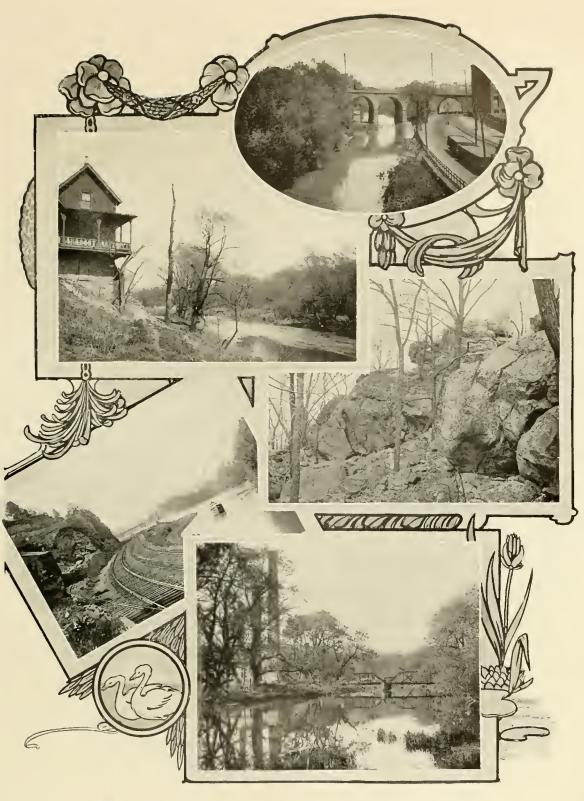




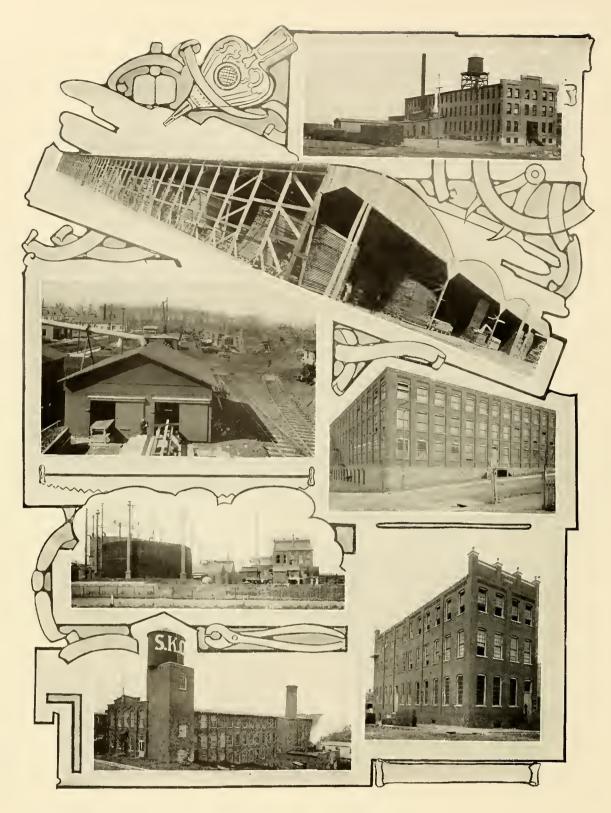
Central Fire and Police Station. Court House. Group of Regular Mounted Police. Soldiers' and Sailors' Monument. County Jail. Post-office Building.



Allentown is the centre of four great railroads; viz., the Lehigh Valley, the Central Railroad of New Jersey, the Reading and the Perkiomen,

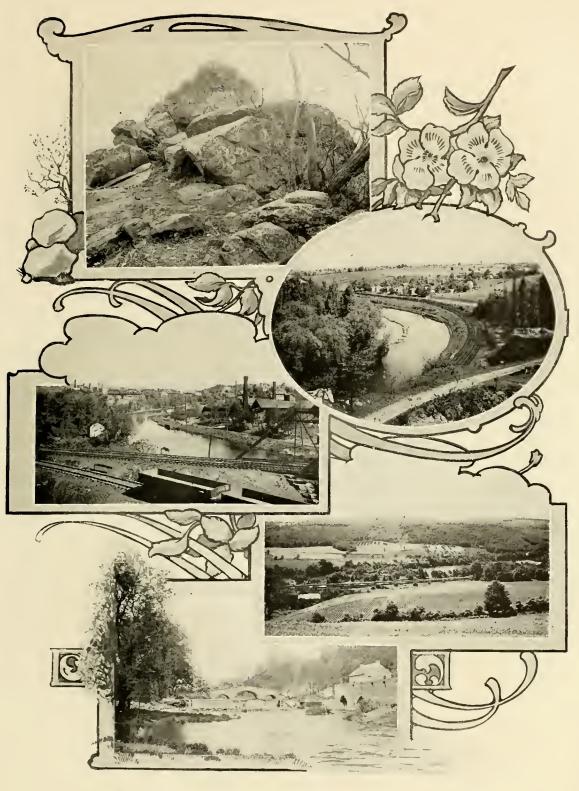


Bits of Scenety. Allentown is surrounded by any number of beautiful views, of which the above are a few specimens,



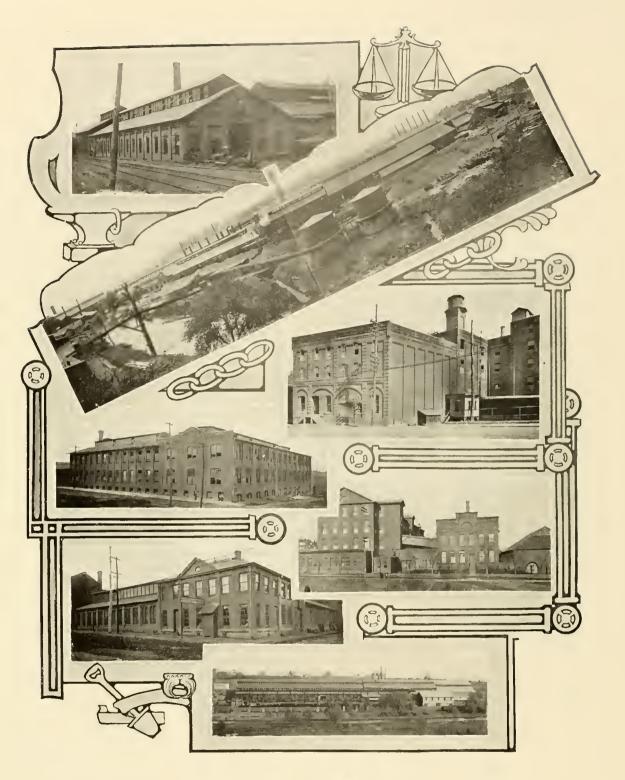


Industrial Establishments, employing thousands of men, showing also the largest lumber plant under one roof in America.



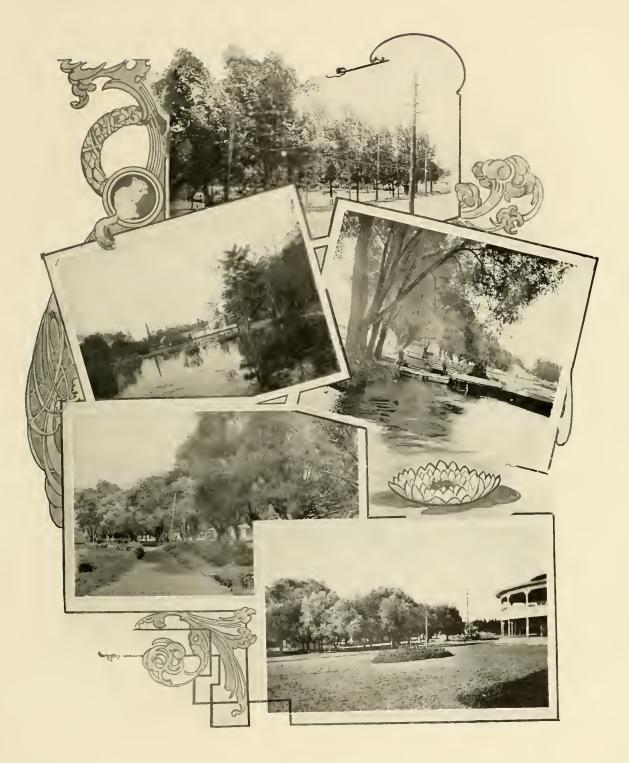


Beautiful Vistas. The Big Rocks and scenes along the Lehigh Canal, the Lehigh River and the Little Lehigh River.

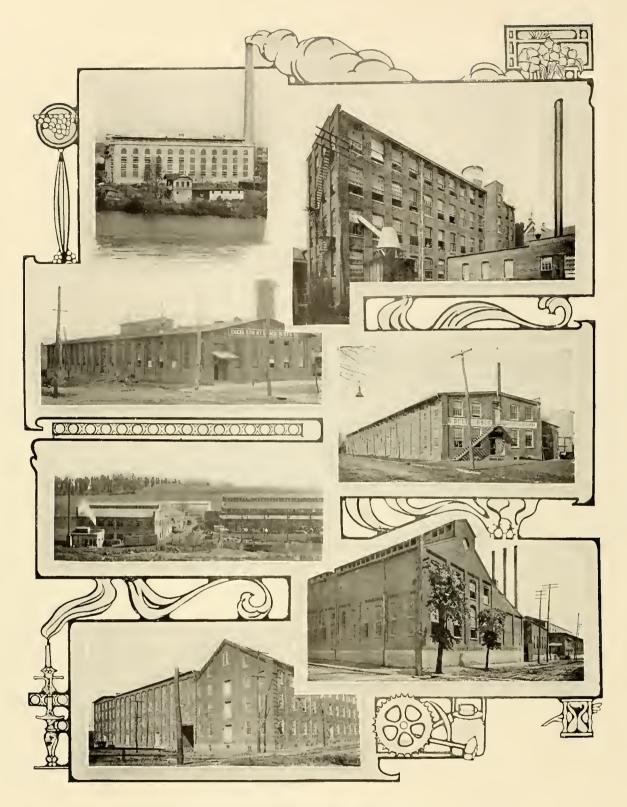




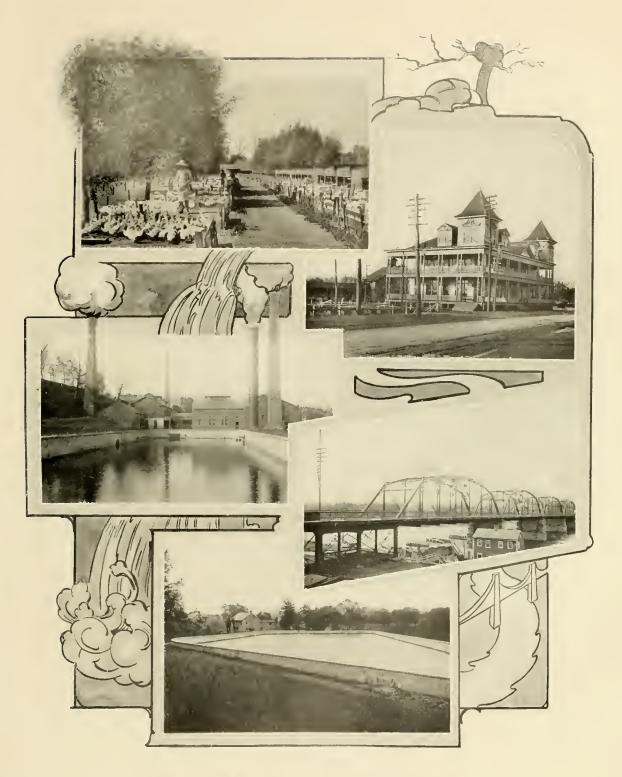
Industrial. Allentown people are proverbially thrifty, peaceable, orderly and law-abiding. Labor troubles and disorders of whatever character are practically unknown in this city.



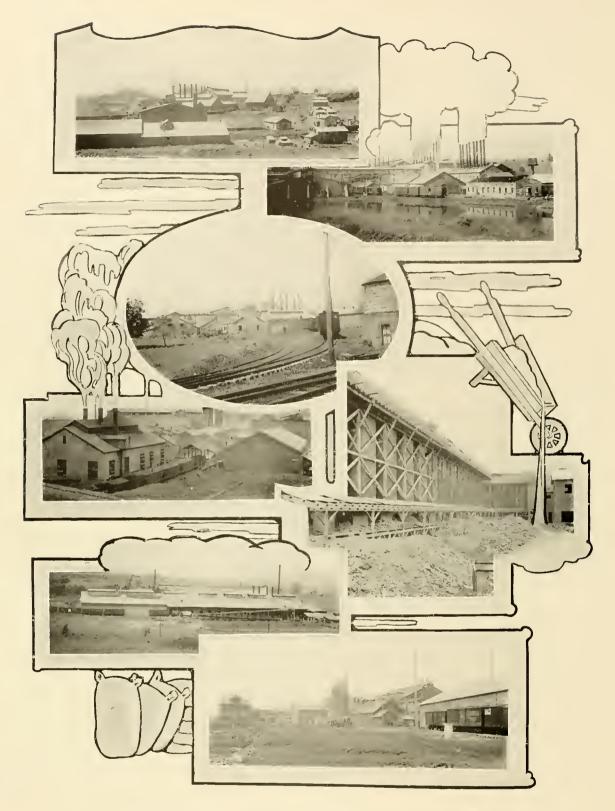
Allentown's Parks. A few views indicative of the beauties of Dorney Park and Central Park.



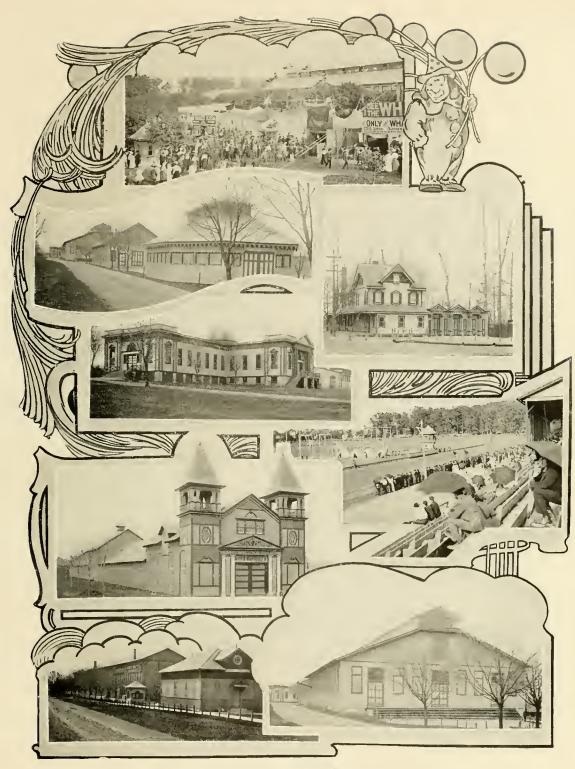
Allentown has nearly six hundred diversified industries, embracing among others iron, silk, furniture, shoes, cigar, hosiery, dyeing, automobile, cement block, brick, clothing, lumber.



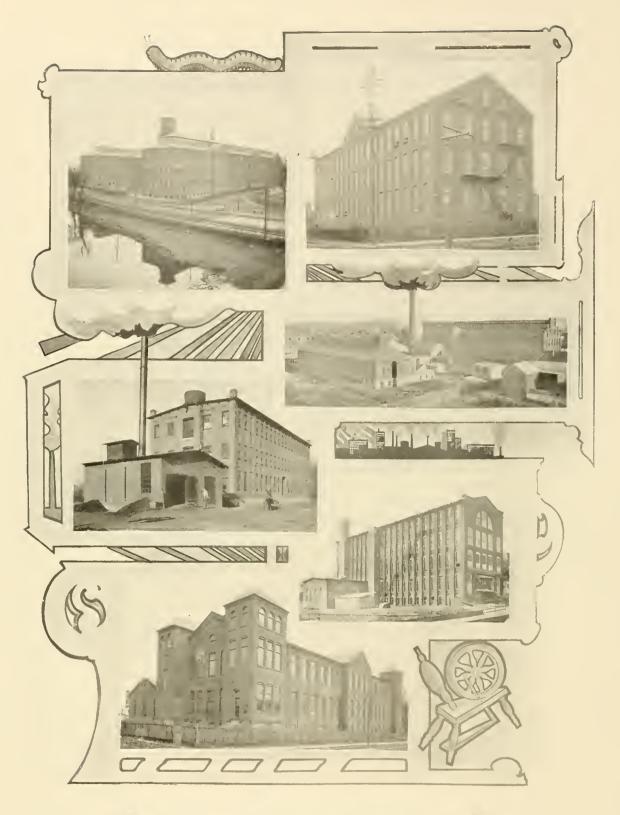
Duck Farm. Park View. Crystal Spring Basin and Pumping Station. New State Bridge. Schantz's Spring Basin (City's Water Supply).



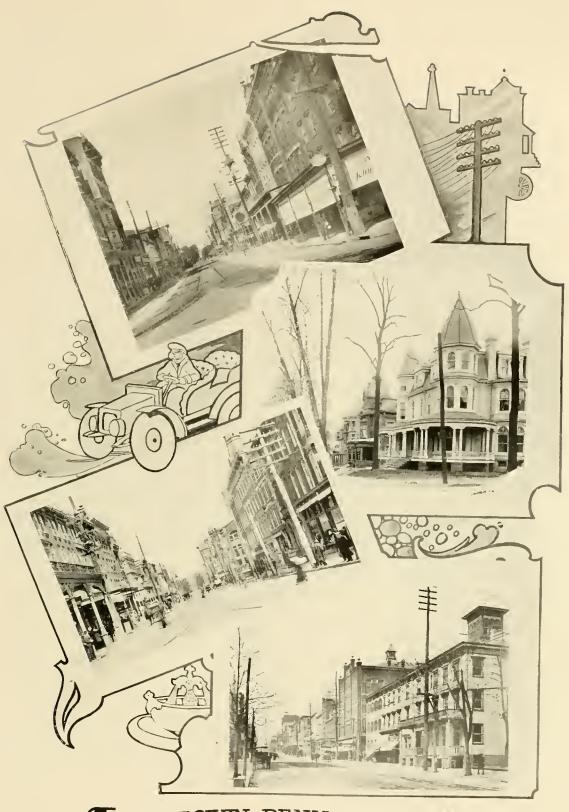
Cement. Eighteen cement mills are within a radius of six miles, employing 12,000 men. Output for 1906, 13,000,000 barrels, about 38 per cent. of the total product of the United States.



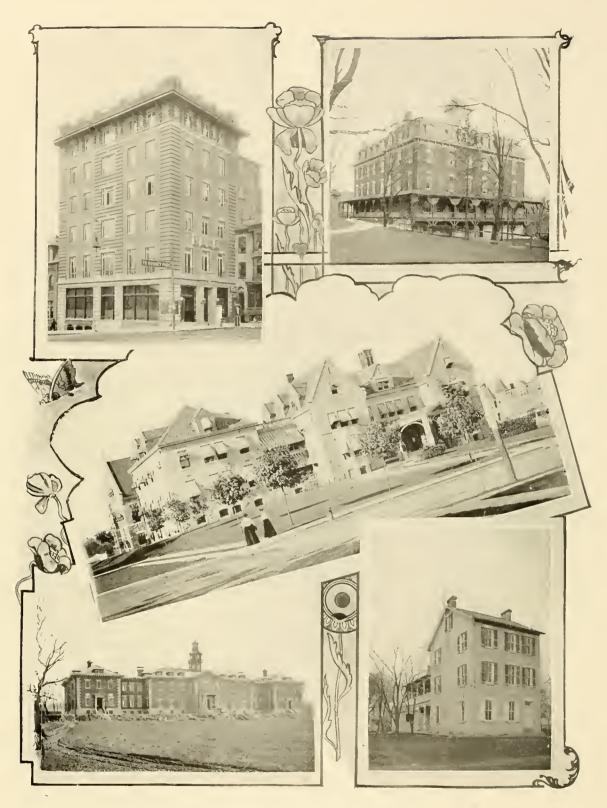
The Great Allentown Fair. The greatest county fair in the United States, attended by over 200,000 people annually. Its half-mile track holds the world's records for pacing and trotting to sulky and wagon.



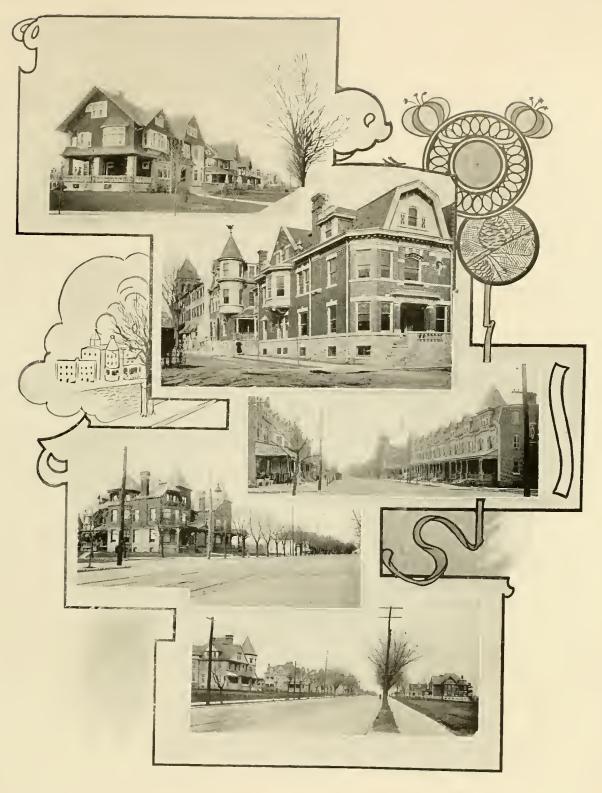
Silk Mills. Allentown is the second largest silk centre in Pennsylvania, with filteen firms, nineteen mills, over 5,000 employees and having an annual output of about \$10,000,000.00



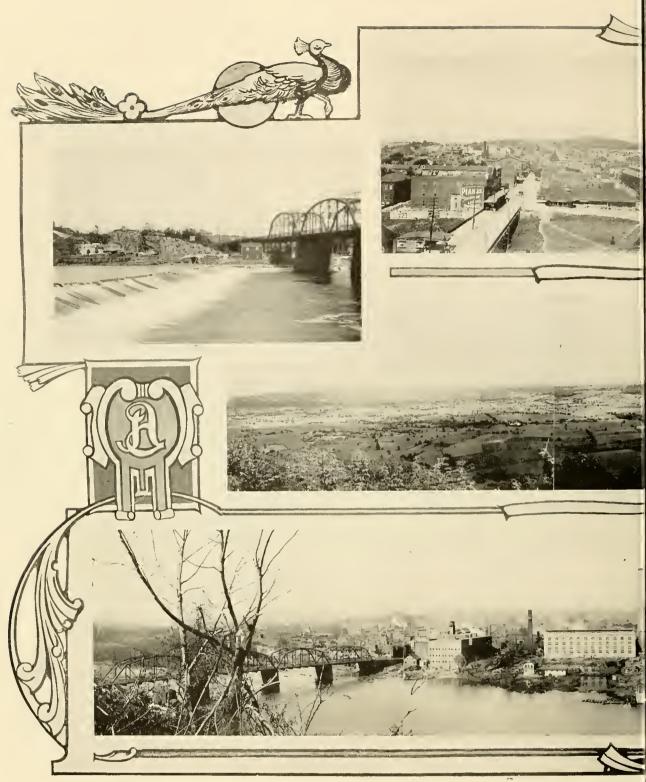
Street Scenes in Business Section. Allentown has an area of 3.98 square miles, with 58.82 miles of streets, of which 10.48 miles are asphalted, and 8.84 miles macadamized,



Y. M. C. A. Allentown College for Women. Allentown Hospital. New Homeopathic State Asylum for the Insane. Phoebe Deaconess Home.

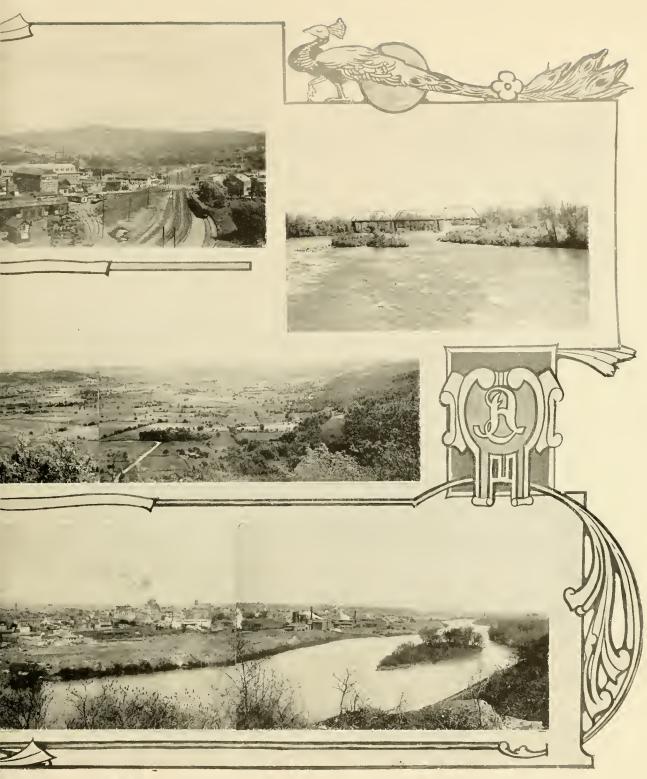


Street Scenes in Residential Section. Allentown has 12,500 buildings. A notable fact is that over 90 per cent. of the real estate, improvements and wealth is owned by Allentown citizens.



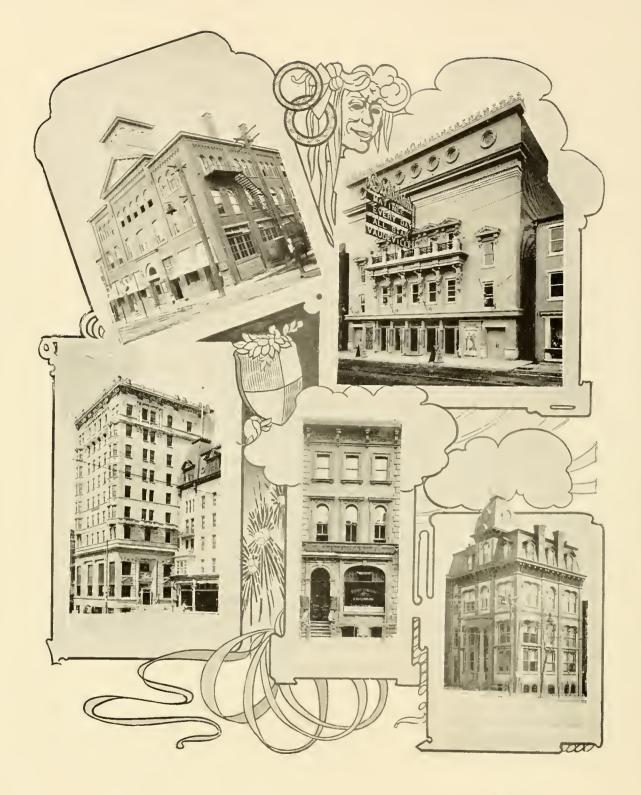
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Dam on Lehigh River near S Railroad station. The fertile Saucon Va Lehigh Mou Panor

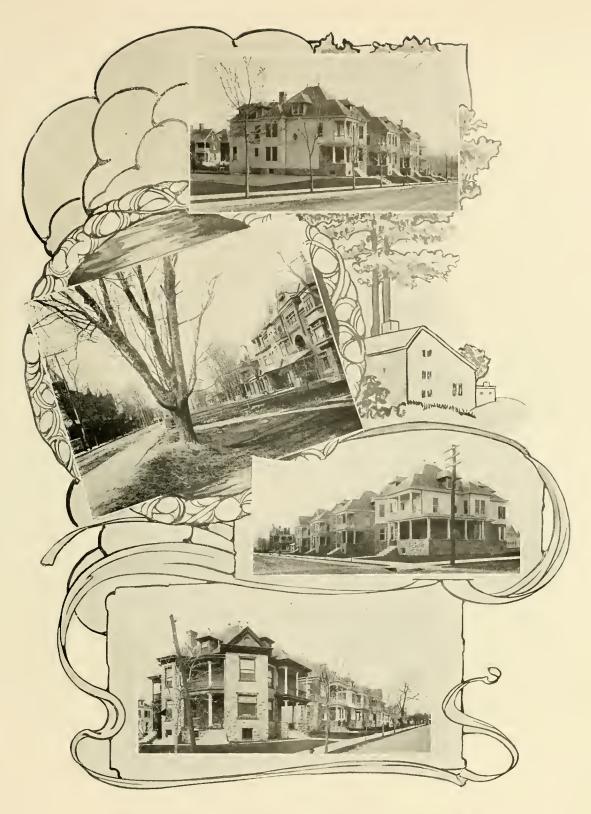


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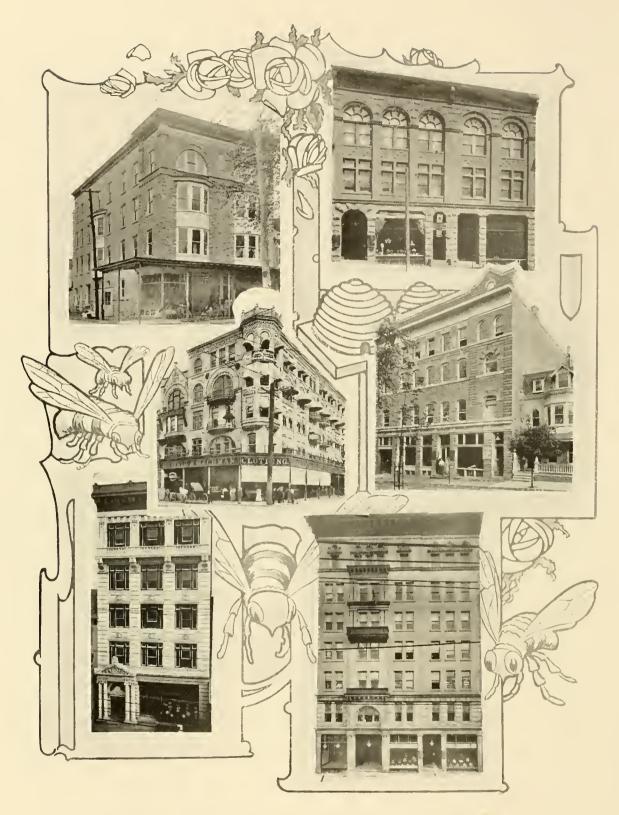
astward from the Lehigh Valley down. Looking over the on the crest of the of Allentown.



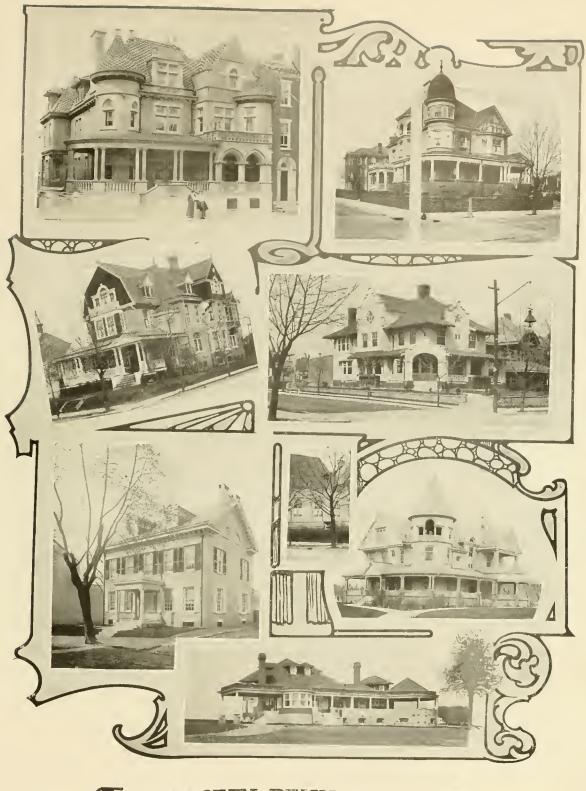
Lyric Theatre. Orpheum Theatre. Bank Buildings. Allentown has three National Banks and three Trust Companies, whose combined capital is \$2,250,000; deposits and holdings, \$9,236,512.10; assets, \$14,537,857.46; surplus fund and undivided profits, \$1,685,753.96.



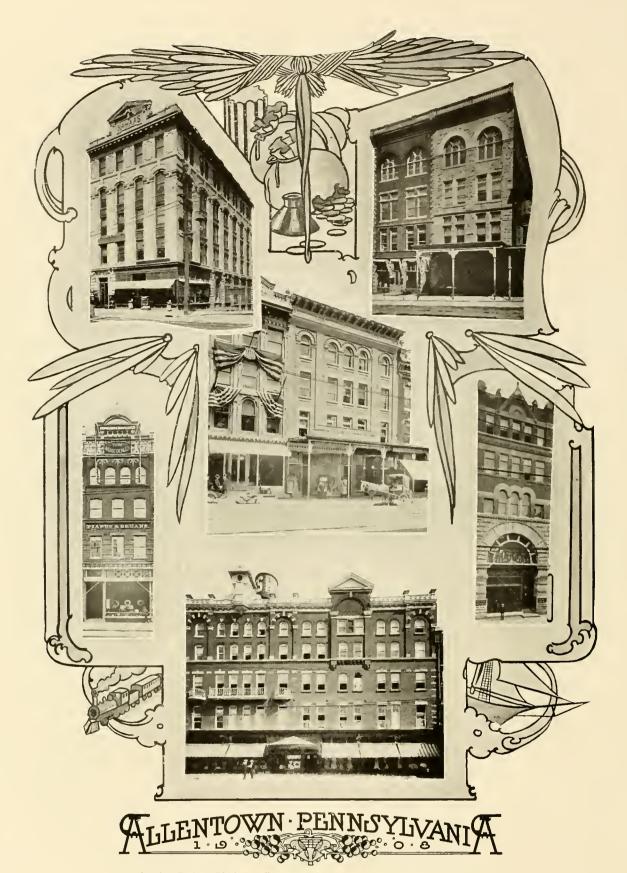
Residential Street Scenes. Views along sections of Sixteenth, Fourth, Fifteenth and Fulton Streets.



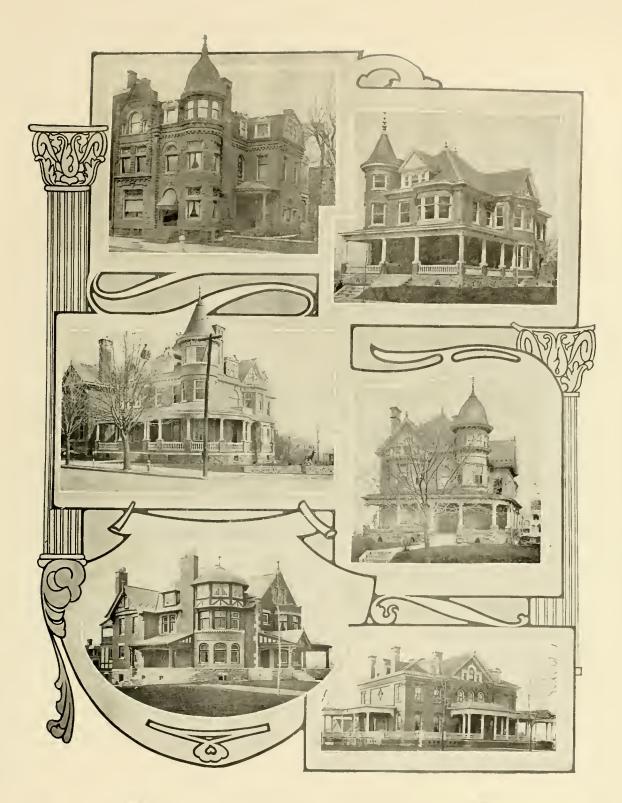
Representative Business Blocks. Allentown is the business centre for a wide and rich agricultural, manufacturing and mining section.



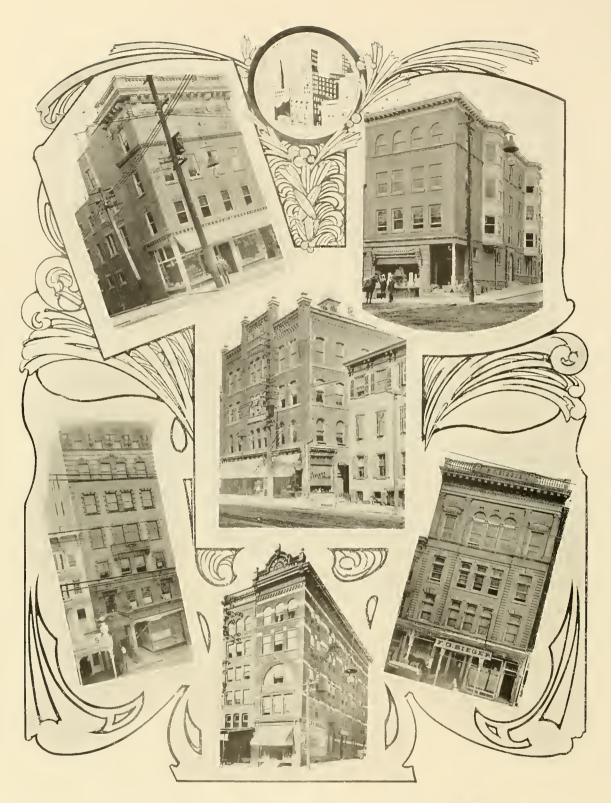
Typical Allentown Homes. Allentown is a city of beautiful homes. The climate is delightful and its health rate averages above that of any other city in Pennsylvania.



Leading Business Blocks. Allentown is the centre of three great trolley systems, touching every important city, town and village within a radius of thirty-six miles, also extending to the city of Philadelphia.

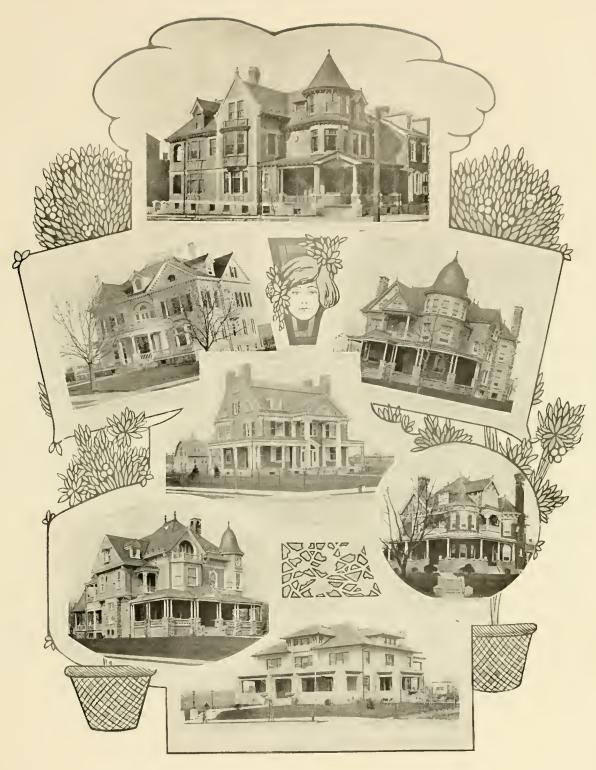


Ideal Residences. Allentown is the cleanest and best built city of its size in the United States, and its homes compare favorably with those of any other city.



Striking Business Blocks. The assessed valuation of property in Allentown is \$30,210,834.00, with a market value of over \$45,000,000.00.

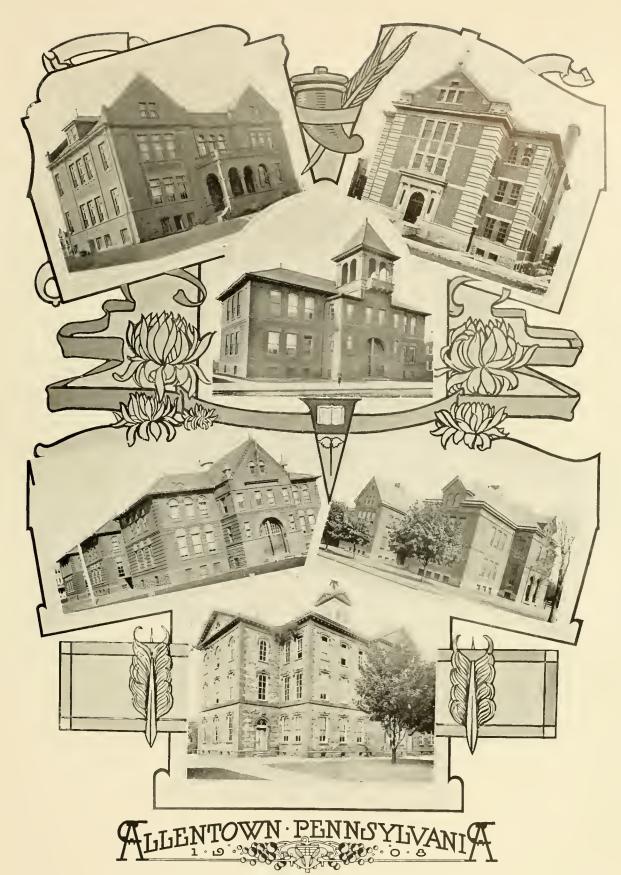
Its tax rate is lower than that of any other city in the State.



Handsome Homes. One of Allentown's principal attractions is its large, unfailing supply of absolutely pure spring water from Schantz's Spring, five miles west of the city.



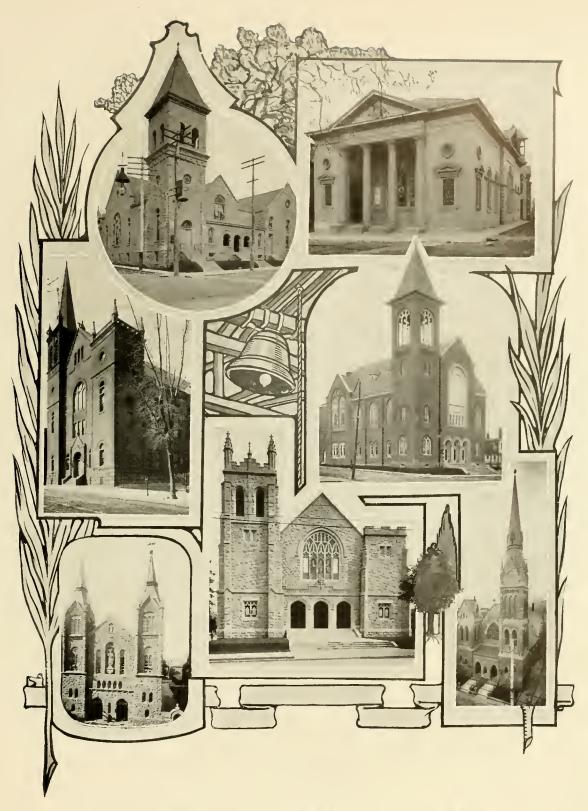
Muhlenberg College. President's Home. Allentown Preparatory School. Administration Building. Laboratory, Berks-Rhoads Hall (Dormitory). Allentown also has a College for Women, two commercial and several music and select schools.



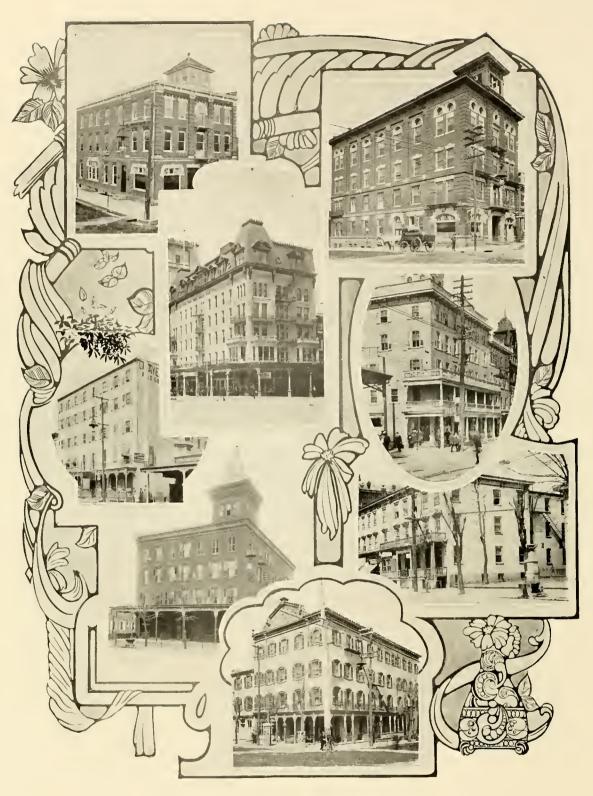
Ideal School Houses. Allentown has seventeen public school buildings and two parochial schools. The district has 149 teachers and 6,251 pupils, with a ten months' school term,



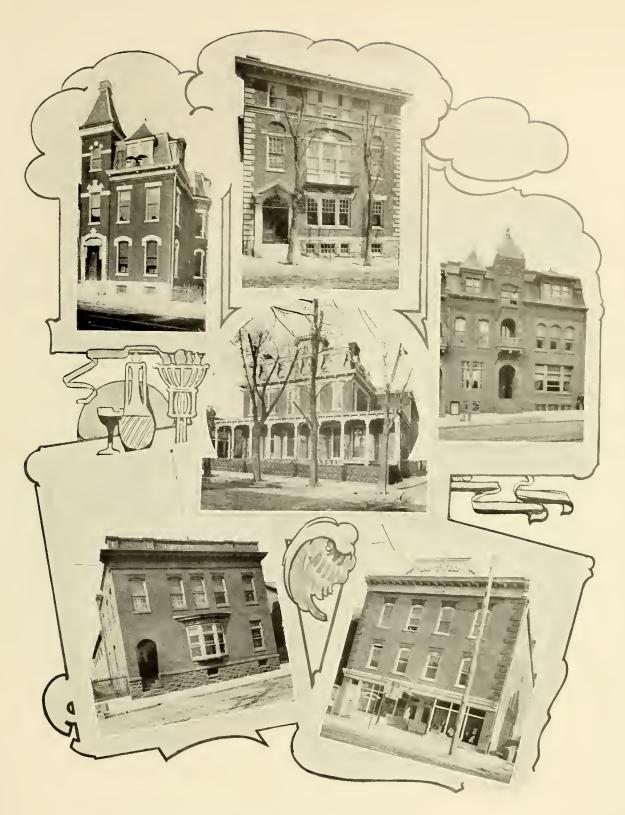
Churches. Allentown has forty-three churches, representing nearly every religious denomination in the world.



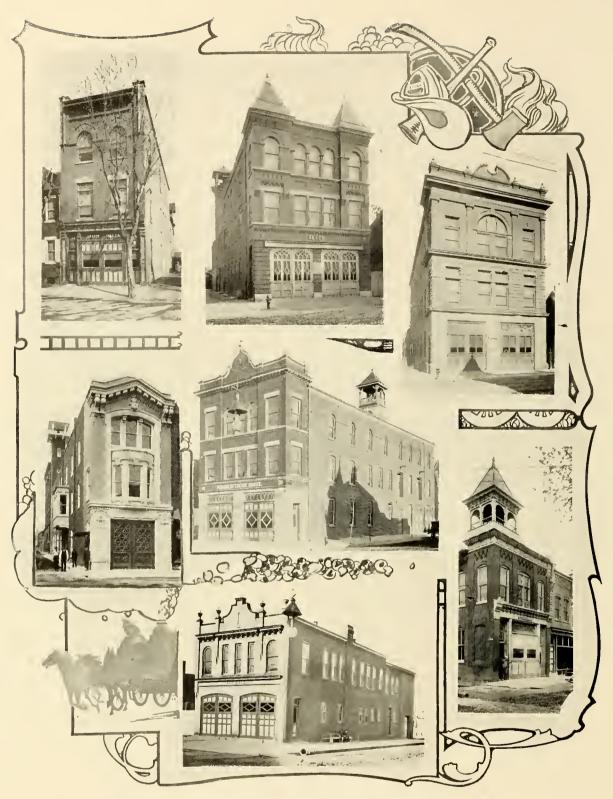
Churches. The architecture of the edifices is strikingly beautiful, and they are unsurpassed by any other city of like proportions.



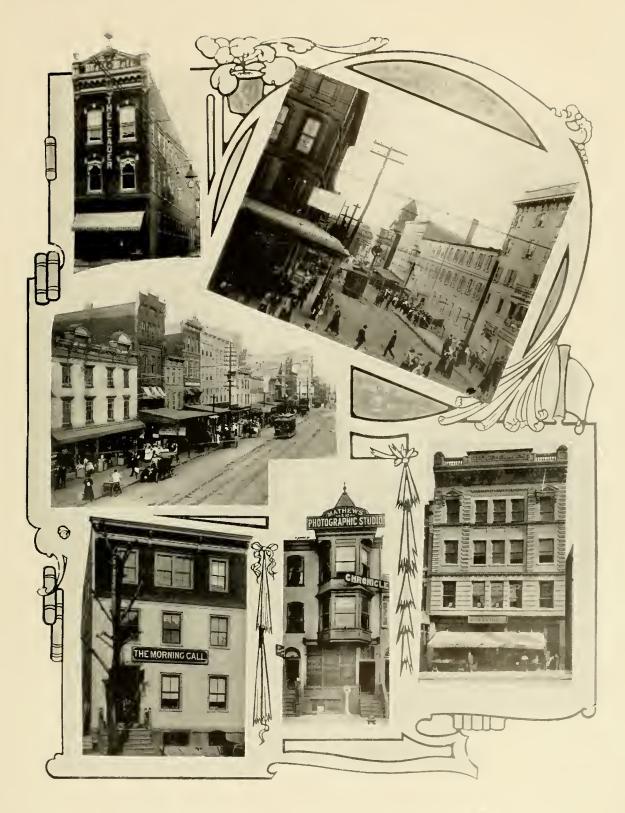
Hotels. Allentown has a number of large and beautiful hotels for the accommodation of permanent and transient guests, of which the above is a representative group.



Fraternal Order of Eagles. B. P. O. Elks. Lehigh Saengerbund. Livingston Club. Temperance Hall. Young Men's Hall.



Fire Engine Houses. Allentown has a remarkably efficient, part paid and volunteer fire department, divided into nine companies, with 947 members, six steam engines, two chemical engines, two hook and ladder trucks and six hose wagons.



Scene on Hamilton Street. Scene on North Sixth Street. Press Buildings. Allentown has five daily newspapers, and one English and three German weeklies.













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